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March 22, 2001

Honorable Robert O'Farrell
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court
Monterey County
P. O. Box 1819
Salinas, CA 93902

REF: Grand Jury 2000 Final Report, January 2, 2001

Dear Judge O'Farrell:

Thank you for this opportunity to respond to findings and recommendations of the 2000 Grand Jury Report section on "Monterey Bay Contamination, Part 2, Storm Water Run-Off Permit Requirements." Please accept the following as the response of the City of Pacific Grove to those findings and recommendations.

Finding 1: The City of Pacific Grove agrees with this finding.
Finding 2: The City of Pacific Grove agrees with this finding.
Finding 3: The City of Pacific Grove agrees with this finding.

Finding 4: The City of Pacific Grove does not fully agree with this finding. The City of Pacific Grove has taken steps to determine our full responsibilities and necessary actions to comply with Storm Water Runoff standards and believe that we understand our role in meeting NPDES permit requirements. We have joined with the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control District in encouraging a joint permit of the agencies on the Peninsula. We have recently (September 2000) completed and accepted a capital improvement program guide detailing the needs of our storm water system and are implementing the changes outlined in the guide.

Finding 5: The City of Pacific Grove agrees with this finding.

Recommendation 1: We have begun work on NPDES permit requirements and have joined with MRWPCA in efforts to seek a joint permit for jurisdictions on the Monterey Peninsula.

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Recommendation 2: The City of Monterey has made a presentation to our City Council concerning their Model Run-Off program. We will use their work to complete our program.

Recommendation 3: The City of Pacific Grove is working with the Storm Water Subcommittee to develop a regional plan to meet permit requirements.

Recommendation 4: The City of Pacific Grove, as a member of the Storm Water Subcommittee, has studied the six minimum requirement of Phase II NPDES permit and will continue to participate in regional storm water runoff planning activities.

We hope this information is helpful in explaining our activities in preparation for Phase II NPDES permit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sandra L. Koffman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Sandra" being more prominent and the last name "Koffman" written in a continuous script.

Sandra L. Koffman
Mayor